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THE RED JUMPSUIT APARATUS PERFORMS for a crowd of student on 700 North during USU's Week of Welcome. The Logan City Council voted in favor of USU owning 700 North because there was a concern about pedestrian safety. The city wanted to eliminate the crosswalks completely while USU administration argued their importance to travelling students. *CARL R. WILSON photo*

USU given full access to 700 North

By DAN SMITH
staff writer

The Logan City Council voted to relinquish ownership of 700 North to Utah State during their Sept. 21 meeting. Ensuring safety on the section of that road between 800 and 1200 East will now be the university's responsibility.

The council voted 4-1 in favor of granting the right of way to the university. Mark Nielsen, Logan Public Works director said

the only member to vote against the change was concerned that the university would eventually close the street to motor vehicles.

"We had some planners years ago that proposed they (Utah State) take over Seventh North and own it and cut it off, but that never came to bear," said USU Attorney Craig Simper.

Discussions to initiate a change came about over the concern for pedestrian safety on the street. Logan City was adamant about risk management and expressed its

desire to make a change, Simper said.

Nielsen said the representatives of the university believed the crosswalks handled traffic effectively, but drivers usually expect crossings at corners.

"The city wanted to eliminate those crosswalks. There is some pressure from the residents every now and then, it can be extremely frustrating," Nielsen said.

The university's main concern was

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Straw structure to support farm

By CATHERINE MEIDELL
news editor

A building composed mostly from a clay mixture, wood posts and straw bales will be constructed to keep Student Organic Farm interns and volunteers sheltered from the elements.

The sustainable straw bale structure will serve as a storage space, educational resource center and a place of refuge for farm laborers when dark clouds creep in.

"This is exciting in that it will demonstrate to students and the public that it is feasible to build attractive structures with low cost and recycle materials," said Jennifer Reeve, assistant professor of organic and sustainable structure, and adviser over the student farm.

The entire supply of straw bale needed to construct this 24-foot-long and 15-foot-wide building has been donated by other USU research farms in Cache Valley, said Ashley Workman, an intern for the student farm and initiator of the straw bale structure idea. She said the one-room building will cost approximately \$2,500-\$3,000, and \$1,000 of this total has already been donated by the USU Sustainability Council. The contributors of the remaining funds have not yet been determined.

"It'll be a warm and welcoming and very earthy place," Workman said. "When it has rained or snowed in the past, we just get soaked through when we're working. Having a well-insulated, dry building would be great. Farmers don't stop for the weather."

Sara Hunt, also an intern for the student farm, said the plan to have the building done by the end of October if everything goes as planned. She said with the help of engineering students who created the blueprints for the building and volunteers to construct the building, the final product will be an enduring building that exemplifies sustainability.

"It will be small, but it's not like the big bad wolf will be able to blow it down," Hunt said. "It's important that the straw bales are dry when we start so the straw doesn't mold from the outside. If it's wet, it will decompose."

Reeve said she worries that the sprinkler irrigation system threatens to douse the straw bales that must be kept dry, but because there is limited space on the student farm, there aren't many options.

The building will not use electricity, and will feature glass

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Greeks work toward new image

By RHETT WILKINSON
staff writer

Greek life has upped the ante on recruitment efforts and public displays of service during the first few weeks of this semester, particularly during "rush week."

Despite this effort, 100 students who completed a survey about their knowledge and opinion of Greek life had largely negative opinions about the organizations that are designed

to build character, friendship and leadership.

"(The values) have always been there. I just think it's now being more recognized by the general public," said Gary Hawkins, a member of Delta Sigma Phi.

He said the Greek system makes efforts to serve and help others on both a local and large scale.

According to the survey, students believe Greeks are notorious pleasure-seeking and riot-

ous, a stereotype Greeks don't necessarily think accurately describes them.

"We are very community-oriented. We work a lot with raising money for different organizations in the community, like child abuse. Sigma Chi put on a dance-a-thon Sept. 25 for cancer research. The sororities and communities each have different organizations that they support," he said.

Hawkins said each Greek organization has a motto with

associated goals to achieve its standards.

"It's all about personal development with each member. I value the criteria we stand by," said USU alumna and Alpha Chi Omega Ashley Fraughton.

Despite the code Greeks strive to live by, a staggering 64 percent of those surveyed said they knew little to nothing about Greek life, or that what they did know involved "alcho-

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SIGMA CHI MEMBERS, from left to right, Zach Mabey, Kevin McCutcheon, Bryce Parkinson, and Kurt Mantz, pose outside of their fraternity house on Greek Row. *BRANDEN FONDA photo*

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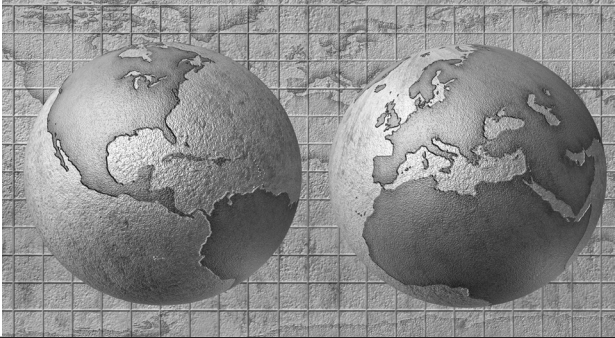
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Nat'l Briefs

Ariz. case re-opened

PHOENIX (AP) – Arizona officials on Monday reopened the investigation into a deputy's explanation of how he was shot in the remote desert south of Phoenix amid speculation it was a hoax timed to enflame the debate over illegal immigration. The Pinal County Sheriff's Office announced its decision Monday after two nationally known forensic pathologists raised questions about a wound the deputy suffered in a Phoenix New Times story, and then later to other media outlets. Pinal County Deputy Louie Puroll told investigators that he was following a group of smugglers carrying bales of marijuana April 30 when he was ambushed by men firing AK-47 rifles. In what Puroll described as a running gunbattle, he was grazed by a bullet in the back. The pathologists, Dr. Michael Baden of New York and Dr. Werner Spitz of suburban Detroit, examined photos of the wound released by the sheriff's office. They told The Associated Press on Friday that they concluded the bullet was fired from inches away, not from at least 25 yards away as Puroll said.

Four dead in Boston shooting

BOSTON (AP) – Police scoured Boston for clues and suspects Tuesday after four people, including a toddler, were fatally shot overnight in a brutal crime that carried tones of an execution and shook up an already troubled neighborhood. Some of the victims were dragged from a house and killed in the street, where their naked bodies were found, a neighbor and a neighborhood activist said. A fifth victim was hospitalized and not expected to survive, police said. A neighbor who heard the gunfire at ran to see what happened and saw two nude bodies on the ground. "People were screaming from the windows, saying 'Help, help,'" said Ralph Myrthil, 43. Myrthil said his 6-year-old son, Jovany, was awakened by the gunfire and asked: "Dad, is it the Fourth of July?" Two men and a woman were found in the street and pronounced dead at the scene in the Mattapan neighborhood. The toddler, a 2- or 3-year-old boy, was pronounced dead at a hospital, police said. Another man was in critical condition. The victims were not immediately identified, and autopsies were planned. Police were releasing few details. Law enforcement officials said that they didn't know a motive and that no suspects had been identified. They were looking for a silver or gray Ford Explorer that witnesses saw leaving the scene.

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Top 10 Questions Asked During The Alien Ambassador Job Interview
September 27, 2010

10. "Do you have any experience sitting in an office doing nothing?"
9. "Are you fluent in Klingon?"
8. "On a scale of 1 to 10, how delusional are you?"
7. "Where's the hidden camera?"
6. "Have you ever dabbled in witchcraft?"
5. "How many wackjob conspiracy theories can you type per minute?"
4. "Why does Jim Belushi keep getting television shows?"
3. "Have you ever florfed a Zargon?"
2. "Why were there jugglers on Letterman?"
1. "May I have your autograph, Ms. Lohan?"

Eiffel Tower is evacuated

PARIS (AP) – The Eiffel Tower was briefly evacuated Tuesday evening after officials received a bomb threat called in from a telephone booth, in the second such alert at the monument in two weeks. The warning came as French officials have been on alert for possible terror attacks on crowded targets. Police closed off the immediate surroundings of the tower, France's most visited monument, blocking off traffic. Officers pulled red-and-white police tape across a bridge leading over the Seine River to the monument. Dozens of officers stood guard in the area. Bomb experts combed through the 324-meter (1,063-foot) tower and found nothing unusual, the Paris police headquarters said. Tourists were let back inside about two hours after the structure was emptied. Jean Dupeu, a 74-year-old Paris retiree, had planned to go to dinner in the tower but found himself looking for another restaurant. "It's surely a bad joke," he said of the threat, adding, "Now is not a good time." National Police Chief Frederic Pechenard said last week that authorities suspect al-Qaida's North African branch of plotting a bomb attack on a

crowded location in France. His warning came after Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb, or AQIM, claimed responsibility for the Sept. 16 abduction of five French nationals and two Africans in northern Niger. The French parliament voted this month to ban burqa-style Islamic veils in France, a subject that has prompted warnings by AQIM. Counterterrorism officials say that is just one of several factors contributing to the heightened threat. At the Eiffel Tower, an anonymous caller using a phone booth in a nearby neighborhood called in a warning to firefighters, the Paris police headquarters said. The company that runs the monument asked police to evacuate it. Police responded to a similar false alert at the tower on Sept. 14, also following a phone threat. On Monday, the bustling Saint Lazare train station in Paris was briefly evacuated and searched. As soon as the latest bomb alert ended, huge lines of eager tourists immediately formed under the tower. Mike Yore, 43, of Orlando, Florida, was among those waiting in line who had no idea the 121-year-old iron monument had even been evacuated. "There's no bomb that can blow this thing up,"



A POLICE OFFICER STANDS by the Eiffel Tower on Sept. 18. AP photo

Gov't working to close border post

HELENA, Mont. (AP) – U.S. Customs and Border Protection said Tuesday it will take steps to close a little-used border Montana post that was in the midst of an \$8.5 million stimulus-funded makeover when Canada announced it would shut its side of the crossing. CBP officials said Tuesday the Whitetail port can be closed only after a 90-day congressional review, a 60-day public comment period and then a final decision by the agency. The Whitetail port was thrown into limbo this summer after Canada decided it will close its station April 1. That left U.S. officials who had directed federal stimulus money at the station scrambling for solutions. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano held a forum last month to get local comment. Last week, U.S. Sen. Jon Tester declared the station should be closed since Canada couldn't be talked into sharing the new facility. Tester said the upgrades were needed to improve poor security provisions at the U.S. port – which before 9/11 closed for the night by placing orange cones in the road. He said that until the decision by Canada to close its side, upgrading the little-used port made sense. The port is one of a few that services a rural and long stretch of the

border in northeastern Montana. Residents say it is largely used by area farmers for trade and convenience. The episode underscores the criticism leveled against the U.S. government for spending more than \$23 million in federal stimulus funding to upgrade Whitetail and four other Montana border posts. "We've got some politicians tell-

ing us that 'virtually no one wants or needs' the Port of Whitetail, and that's very clearly not true," Tester, a Democrat, said in a statement. "And I invite anyone who believes rural Montana is 'nowhere' to come visit, or at least spend more time understanding the very real security threats we face at America's remote border crossings."



U.S. SENATOR JOHN CORNYN talks with officials following a news conference after taking a tour of the Port of Hidalgo. AP photo

Montana politics provided a testy backdrop to the decision. Republican U.S. Rep. Denny Rehberg has been hammering the project as a waste of money. "No one bothered to investigate the Whitetail Port or talk to the Canadians before deciding it was worth millions to fix it up," Rehberg said. "While I'm glad that CBP heeded my demands to stop wasting this money, I think the taxpayers in Montana would have preferred that these kinds of decisions had been made before more than a million unrecoverable stimulus dollars were put into it in the first place." The CBP says it expects several million will be saved by the time the project formally wraps up. The money saved by halting work will go back to the treasury. In making his recommendation last week to close the port, Tester said the best offer from Canada was to remotely monitor car traffic only on its side of the border – and only if the U.S. paid for the needed technology. "CBP and the Canada Border Services Agency explored a number of scenarios in an attempt to maintain two-way traffic at this location but were unable to find a solution that met both the needs of the local community as well as our national security standards, leaving closure.

Marriages have hit an all-time low

WASHINGTON (AP) – The recession seems to be socking Americans in the heart as well as the wallet: Marriages have hit an all-time low while pleas for food stamps have reached a record high and the gap between rich and poor has grown to its widest ever. The long recession technically ended in mid-2009, economists say, but U.S. Census data released Tuesday show the painful, lingering effects. The annual survey covers all of last year, when unemployment skyrocketed to 10 percent, and the jobless rate is still a stubbornly high 9.6 percent. The figures also show that Americans on average have been spending about 36 fewer minutes in the office per week and are stuck in traffic a bit less than they had been. But that is hardly good news, either. The reason is largely that people have lost jobs or are scraping by with part-time work. "Millions of people are stuck at home because they can't find a job. Poverty increased in a majority of states, and children have been hit especially hard," said Mark Mather, associate vice president of the Population Reference Bureau. The economic "indicators say we're in recovery, but the impact on families and children will linger on for years," he said. Take marriage. In American, marriages fell to a record low in 2009, with just 52 percent of adults 18 and over saying they were joined in wedlock, compared to 57 percent in 2000. The never-married included 46.3 percent of young adults 25-34, with sharp increases in single people in cities in the Midwest and Southwest, including Cleveland, Phoenix, Los Angeles and

Albuquerque, N.M. It was the first time the share of unmarried young adults exceeded those who were married. Marriages have been declining for years due to rising divorce, more unmarried couples living together and increased job prospects for women. But sociologists say younger people are also now increasingly choosing to delay marriage as they struggle to find work and resist making long-term commitments. In dollar terms, the rich are still getting richer, and the poor are falling further behind them. The income gap between the richest and poorest Americans grew last year by the largest margin ever, a stark divide as Democrats and Republicans spar over whether to extend Bush-era tax cuts for the wealthy. The top-earning 20 percent of Americans – those making more than \$100,000 each year – received 49.4 percent of all income generated in the U.S., compared with the 3.4 percent earned by the bottom 20 percent of earners, those who fell below the poverty line, according to the new figures. That ratio of 14.5-to-1 was an increase from 13.6 in 2008 and nearly double a low of 7.69 in 1968. At the top, the wealthiest 5 percent of Americans, who earn more than \$180,000, added slightly to their annual incomes last year, the data show. Families at the \$50,000 median level slipped lower. Three states – New York, Connecticut and Texas – and the District of Columbia had the largest gaps between rich and poor. Big gaps were also evident in large cities such as New York, Miami, Los Angeles, Boston and Atlanta, home to both highly

paid financial and high-tech jobs as well as clusters of poorer immigrant and minority residents. Alaska, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho and Hawaii had the smallest income gaps. "Income inequality is rising, and if we took into account tax data, it would be even more," said Timothy Smeeding, a University of Wisconsin-Madison professor who specializes in poverty. "More than other countries, we have a very unequal income distribution where compensation goes to the top in a winner-takes-all economy." Lower-skilled adults ages 18 to 34 had the largest jumps in poverty last year as employers kept or hired older workers for the dwindling jobs available. The declining economic fortunes have caused many unemployed young Americans to double-up in housing with parents, friends and loved ones, with potential problems for the labor market if they don't get needed training for future jobs, he said. Homeownership declined for the third year in a row, to 65.9 percent, after hitting a peak of 67.3 percent in 2006. Residents in crowded housing held steady at 1 percent, the highest since 2004, a sign that people continued to "double up" to save money. Average commute times edged lower to 25.1 minutes, the lowest since 2006, as fewer people headed to the office in the morning. The share of people who carpooled also declined, from 10.7 percent to 10 percent, while commuters who took public transportation were unchanged at 5 percent. The number of U.S. households receiving food stamps surged by 2 million last year to 11.7 million, the highest level on record.

Sustainability council holding “dorm wars” contest

By JESSICA SWEAT
staff writer

The table was a little more crowded at this week’s ASUSU executive council meeting, with guests from the Residence Hall Association (RHA), USU’s Sustainability Council, and Natural Resources Senator Jason Carlisle.

Sara Cody from the RHA opened up the meeting said the RHA “loves” working with the council and intends to continue to work closely with them.

Cody asked the council to give two weeks advanced notice to the RHA for dates of events and activities so that all residence assistants can be on board. She also said the RHA was building new leaders that will “hopefully live up to ASUSU standards.”

President Tyler Tolson said, “RHA is a great resource to us. They always volunteer to help and give us on campus access to students.”

The next guests to present to the council were from USU’s Sustainability Council. Director Jake Buckner and executive council member Brad Armstrong said the council works closely with USU’s service center toward making the USU campus more sustainable – meaning more environmen-

tally friendly. They also want to begin working with ASUSU to make campus events more sustainable.

“We want to change the culture at USU for the better and take action that is supported by students,” Buckner said.

Armstrong also announced that the council is working to bring Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. to campus this spring to speak to students on how to live sustainably, at an estimated cost of \$30,000. So far the event has been set for Thursday, April 21.

The sustainability council will also be putting on a contest called “Dorm Wars.” The contest will be geared toward on-campus residents and will run from October to March. The residence hall that reduces its energy costs and other practices the most will receive \$500 to spend how they please. This prize, along with an additional \$500 being given away, will be provided by the college of Natural Resources and awarded

on Earth day.

Diversity Vice President Kaho Fiefa announced that on Thursday, Sept.30, there will be a “very beneficial” meeting all clubs and organizations are required to attend. All college senators will also need to attend in order to receive information about which clubs they will take charge of. Fiefa then said that after this meeting, clubs will mainly work

through their designated college senator. The meeting will be held in the TSC auditorium at 5 p.m.

Another update was that of Tom Atwood, programming vice president. Atwood announced that after the Aggie football team takes on BYU this Friday, an after-game party unofficially dubbed the “White Trash Bash” will be held in the lounges of the TSC from 10:30 p.m. to midnight. The band “The Metal Gods” will provide entertainment.

“It will be an awesome, awesome party,” Atwood said.

ASUSU interim adviser Linda Zimmerman and Athletics VP Alex Putnam said ESPN will be coming to USU to not only cover the BYU-USU football game, but to film game-day traditions as well. ESPN will also film students camping out for the game around 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 30. Footage captured may be used during the game to highlight specific traditions the university endorses.

Natural Resources Senator Jason Carlisle gave a short presentation on behalf of USU’s student organic farms. Carlisle made the request for \$1,300 from the Capital and Support fund and stated that the farm is “in dire need of a structure that will provide wind break.” The structure to be built is a straw bale building that will “be a large icon for sustainability for USU.”

The council voted to approve the request.

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STRAW BALE STRUCTURES, like the one shown above, are an inexpensive and sustainable new way to build facilities and students are salvaging resources to build USU’s first. *MCT Campus photo*

Organic: Farm to use new facility for shelter and storage

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bottles built into the structure in addition to the windows to let light in, Hunt said.

Though a straw bale structure’s cost is appealing to the student farm, which thrives on donations, there are some hurdles that must be overcome to complete the building. Jack Green, a member of USU’s sustainability staff, said a lot of sweat will go into the facility, and materials to build it are not easy to find, especially with the budget the student farm has to work with.

“It is very labor intensive,” Green said. “It takes a lot of grunt work, if you will, to make it work. a lot of folks haven’t worked with straw bale, so they are kind of shooting in the dark initially. Just the novelty of it, the strangeness of it, will be the struggle.”

The student farm’s straw bale structure will not

be the first in Cache Valley. Green assisted the construction of a greenhouse composed of straw bale for Logan High School. A man in Avon constructed his house this way as well, Workman said.

Necessary procedures to build the structure are mostly simplistic, Workman said, and with the help Green and others who are experienced in working with straw bale, the volunteers may be able to complete the building over the course of a few weekends.

Construction of a straw bale structure begins by planting posts four feet in the ground into gravel. Then a rammed earth foundation is created made from nine parts dirt and one part gravel. This layer is covered with chicken wire and then the layers continue until they are one foot above the ground, Workman said. Wood beams create the shell of

the building and straw bales are stacked to fill the spaces in between. These straw bales are then bound together by large metal wires that resemble staples. A plaster made from clay is packed onto the straw bales and beams, which is then sealed. This is what gives straw bale structures an adobe look, Workman said.

“If we do the clay right and seal it, the structure will last for a long time,” Workman said. “It’s a new and trendy thing to do in California, and people build their houses this way.”

She said anyone willing to donate their time and get their hands dirty is welcome to be a part of the new building’s construction.

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VP: Position to improve marketing and connection with regional campuses

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ROB BEHUNIN

in 2008, research by USURF on air scrubbing technology led to the formation of Purestream Technology, which continues to see success in the business market, Behunin said.

As for regional development, Behunin has seen extensive research application at the Uintah Basin Campus and has been working with entrepreneurs at USU-CEU in Price on projects that deal with clean coal technology and mining safety procedures, and was very positive about the progress being made there.

“We’re already moving in that space,” Behunin said. “The Uintah Basin certainly is the model. This has been our first test, Price is next.”

DeVilbiss said, “Rob is already at work doing his magic. I know there’s potential for a very exciting announcement down the road.”

While Behunin couldn’t comment on the commercialization of specific projects, he said that research in Tooele on advanced vehicle technology has the potential for business application and that a USURF satellite project is very near to reaching the

commercial stage.

“We’re looking at a weather satellite technology that we’ll be commercializing in the near term,” Behunin said.

By unifying university research, Behunin said any student on any USU campus has the potential to be involved in the projects at Utah State.

“We’re going to try to cross-pollinate across all disciplines,” Behunin said. “The average student may be working on very specific projects, that might migrate out into regional areas.”

Behunin gave a hypothetical example of how research by students in the College of Agriculture might be taken to Price, Moab or Blanding for testing and application after which students from the Huntsman School of Business would be called in for marketing and business strategies.

“We want to try to connect the dots with our Logan students and our regional students,” Behunin said.

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Briefs

Campus & Community

Three USU choirs to perform in ensemble

The choral ensembles of USU’s Caine College of the Arts Music Department present “Autumn Voices” Oct. 6 in the USU Performance Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 for reserved seating and free for USU students with ID.

The performance features the USU Chamber Singers, USU Choral and USU Women’s Choir.

The music of Claudio Monteverdi, James Mulholland, Daniel E. Gawthrop, Bob Chilcott and Michael McGlynn will be featured.

Several handcrafted bells created by local metal artist Doug Adams will be used during the performance.

“I’ve always been drawn to Doug’s incredible bell sculptures,” said Cory Evans, director of choral activities at USU. “We thought it would be neat to hear them ringing in the Performance Hall along with the beautiful voices of these student singers. I’m excited to hear how it will sound.”

The USU Women’s Choir is directed by Michael Huff, director of special programs with the Caine College of the Arts and newly-appointed director of the Women’s Choir.

“Dr. Huff and I have wanted to work together for years, and it is a delight to see his new leadership of the Women’s Choir,” Evans said.

More information and ticket purchase options are available online (www.arts.usu.edu<<http://www.arts.usu.edu>>), or call the CCA Box Office, 435-797-8022.

Boy Scouts invited to earn merit badge

USU’s Museum of Anthropology again offers its popular Boy Scout Archaeology Merit Badge Workshop, and early registration is requested. Sessions are held on two consecutive Saturdays.

The badge workshops are Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 at the museum. The cost is \$5 per scout, and a troop leader must be present. Sessions are held at the museum, Old Main Room 252.

The workshops meet all requirements for the archaeology badge. Activities include an archaeological dig and a segment where participants can learn about, then practice, pre-historic Native American skills.

“This is a great opportunity for scouts to meet all their requirements in a short amount of time,” said program coordinator Aurora Wallis. “The format for the fall workshop is different from our previous workshops so we can accommodate more scouts.”

Scouts can choose one of two sessions; one from 9 a.m. to noon and a second from 1-4 p.m. Scouts must participate both Saturdays to meet all requirements. Entire troops or individual scouts are welcome.

Interested scouts and troops should call the museum to register, (435) 797-7545, no later than Friday, Oct. 1.

The merit badge workshops Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 take the place of the museum’s regularly offered “Saturdays at the Museum” series.

Build-A-Bear CEO to speak on campus

Dave Finnegan, the CEO of Build-A-Bear, will speak Wednesday, Sept. 29 at noon in the Merrill-Cazier Library auditorium.

He will be speaking on how to Build-A-Career and lunch will be served afterwards. The Lunch ‘n’ lecture series is put on by the Graduate Student Senate and give Graduate Students the opportunity network and prepare for their careers.

All graduate students and upper-classmen are encouraged to attend the lecture.

The Graduate Student Senate may be contacted at gss@aggiemail.usu.edu.

■ *Compiled from staff and media reports*

Council: Street agreement accommodates all non-motorized traffic

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ensuring that students are able to get to where they need to go, Simper said. Utah State and Logan City negotiated an agreement for almost a year before the final proposal went to a vote. Simper said the university was willing to take responsibility for safety, but it was important that maintenance and upkeep remained a city duty. The street has always been an area of coordinated efforts, between USU and Logan City, and maintenance items caused a delay in finalizing the official language of the agreement, Nielsen said. The city agreed to continue painting, sweeping and removing snow from the street. The four-block section of 700 North is the site of several utility lines. The City of Logan has a “utility easement” in the final agreement, which allows maintenance for things like water and power lines, Nielsen said. “I don’t believe there is a good solution, but because it’s so heavily university-oriented, I believe this compromise is the best we could come up with,”

Nielsen said. Utah State was not actively pursuing control of the street, said Simper. In past years, plans of converting the street into a walking mall were discussed, but these plans have since been abandoned. “There would be some serious impediments ... it wouldn’t make any sense at all to cut off all of Seventh North,” Simper said. Closing the street to traffic would hinder access to parking lots and restrict emergency vehicles such as fire trucks, ambulances and police cars, he said. Utah State Fire Marshal Steve Bell said safety is always a concern, and closing off the street would cause logistical complications. “The rule is, you can lose a structure within five minutes of a fire starting,” Bell said. “After that, the students wouldn’t have a school to go to ... until that structure was rebuilt.” USU Police are also prepared to adapt to any changes, Chief Steve Mecham said. In the event the road is

closed, police are ready to cross sidewalks and use shortcuts to respond to an emergency. For activities such as the recent concert or block party, the university police have meetings to discuss the event and how many officers will be on location, he said. “We expect things to happen. We gear up and have more officers on duty,” Mecham said. During special events that exceed 3,000 attendees, the fire department will have emergency vehicles on standby, Bell said. If the street is barricaded, fire code requires an unobstructed area at least 20 feet wide. “I know the students want to have fun, but we need to worry about their safety,” Bell said. In the past, the university would have to ask permission to close 700 North for events, Simper said. Under the new agreement, Utah State would still notify the city so police and fire personnel would be aware. Any closings for events would be temporary, he said.



700 NORTH will be more easily accessible to USU because USU no longer needs to ask permission from Logan City to block it off. *CARL R. WILSON photo*

“We want to help the city out and be good citizens,” Simper said. “We didn’t want to sacrifice safety, so we said we’d assume the safety responsibility.” USU Police agreed, several years ago, to handle all accidents on the four-block section of street, Mecham said. Injuries are rare and are usually caused by collisions between cyclists and motor vehicles.

Mecham said a woman was severely injured a couple of years ago at 700 North and 1100 East, but no injuries have been reported this year. “When you consider the number of people who use that street, you’d expect more,” Mecham said.

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Polls: Majority of students show disinterest in becoming Greek

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hol,” “drinking” or “partying.” Also, 59 percent said those words are what first came into their minds when they think about the fraternities and sororities, and only 23 percent said they had previously considered “becoming Greek” themselves, though 50 percent had been invited. “There are a lot of social advantages to Greek life. It’s like a family away from home,” Froughton said. She said, however, that some recruitment and philanthropic efforts have increased this semester. Much of that can be attributed to the death of Sigma Nu pledge Michael Starks in November 2008, due to alcohol poisoning. Forty-one percent of those surveyed said apart from drinking or partying, Starks was their knee-jerk association with Greek life. “Obviously a lot of people know about the Mike Starks incident,” Froughton said. “That changed things. It brought us together and made us realize we needed to really define what we are all about,” Froughton said. She said she thinks if Greeks decide to drink, they have their brothers to look after them. “But it’s not endorsed by the house. It’s all a personal decision,” she said. Froughton referred to a system in many fraternities where each younger member is assigned a mentor, or “older brother” to watch and protect them. There is a similar sisterhood within sororities. “I think the (increase in service hours) has (relation to Starks) and

probably motivated us a lot,” she said, adding that at the time, individual houses set up “exchanges,” or activities amongst each other, and personal visits, to cope with the tragedy. Other Greeks, including new Alpha Chi member Jessica Lewis, said the recent intensity of Greek recruitment and events has other plans as well. Lewis said that they had a great opportunity to show their support against violence during Rush Week. “We want to be known on campus for service. We really want to show the campus what Greek life is about. It’s all about service to the community,” said senior and Kappa Delta member Corinna Gross. “We really want to brag about those things. We want to be noticed by the campus, by the community, and by various organizations nationwide.” Of those surveyed, 73 percent said they had been invited to participate in a social activity through the Greek system, but only 16 percent of the same students said they had been invited to participate in community service. Forty-one percent accept the social invitation, while only five percent took an offer to partake in service activities. “I think the main reason for the reputation is the media. You’ve got ‘Animal House’ and other media since the 1970s,” said graduate student Cory Larsen, of Sigma Phi Epsilon. “I mean, this is a social environment and so we do have our share of fun, but the idea is to balance it out.” Larsen said in his own chapter of SigEp, only “three or four” of more than two dozen members take part in social drinking.

“As far as philanthropy goes, it’s just a part of the system. I don’t think it’s to reverse a certain stereotype,” he said. “I think Greeks naturally are very outgoing people. A lot of people who want to be Greek are those who want to be exposed, and they want to be involved and be where the people are. I don’t think everybody is like that,” said SigEp junior Travis Chambers. He said that character lends itself to enthusiasm and an openness to different lifestyles. “Sometimes when there’s not values taught or certain values or laws, taught, then that can lead to partying, because they don’t have as many barriers as most people do,” Chambers said. Chambers said despite that sort of personality, the members of the chapter still maintain their own standards. “It’s an individual decision. We still party it up, but in a different way. We’re still very outgoing, but that doesn’t have to involve drink a lot,” he said. “Sometimes some of the LDS community will be very introverted and not very involved in the public, but very strong in the faith, or, they are really involved in school and sports, and struggle in the faith. But I feel like the guys here (at SigEp) are very involved, but maintain their standards.” The student survey was split between men and women. Six percent of those questioned were seniors, 14 percent were juniors, 41 percent were sophomores, and 39 percent were freshmen.



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Instructor takes 'foots on' approach to teaching Latin American culture

By ADAM NETTINA
sports editor

"Cinco y cinco," a frantic voice yells out in the crisp morning air.

The speaker – clad in a bright-orange soccer jersey – urges his team forward in a smooth Mexican accent. The team he leads is a hodgepodge of players – young men and women, some wearing jeans and t-shirts, others with soccer jerseys. Some of the participants have sneakers and cleats; a few, more formal shoes. One is even barefoot.

"Dos minutos," yells the man in the orange jersey, smiling, as the game draws to a close. The ensuing passing shot sails wide, while the tired countenance of both teams prevents either from gaining the upper hand. Abruptly, the match ends. Laughing ensues. High fives are exchanged. The scene could take place in any park in Mexico City, with college-aged friends enjoying each other's company and the spirit of friendly competition.

But this is not Mexico City. It's Logan, Utah. And this isn't a Saturday at the

"I strongly believe that with languages, you have to be active in the teaching and learning processes. Otherwise it's just a one-way channel."

Juan Carlos Vazquez,
USU spanish professor

This group of students isn't just playing a collective game of hooky – they're actively learning from one of the university's most dynamic instructors. With the Utah State Spanish department for the past four years, Vazquez stresses a "hands-on" – or maybe that's foot-on -- approach to learning a language required for many students.

"I strongly believe that

with languages, you have to be active in the teaching and learning processes," said Vazquez, who was born in Mexico City. "Otherwise it's just a one-way channel. So I like the interaction, and soccer has provided that."

Soccer – or "futbol" as it is better known in his native Mexico – is something Vazquez knows well. Not only did he play it constantly growing up, but he even became good enough to play for a professional team in Mexico City, and later played at Weber State.

"Soccer has been a very important part of my life," he said. "Growing up in Mexico City, I've played soccer ever since I could remember. It's a part of the culture, and that is one of the things that I like to teach my students."

The idea to move away from the strict confines of the classroom and take the learning process to the soccer field occurred to Vazquez when he first arrived at Utah State, he said. Looking for a way to convey the vocabulary and cultural lessons expressed in a chapter of the textbook

he was using, Vazquez could think of no better way than to put practice into action and utilize the soccer field just outside his classroom.

"When we talk about learning Spanish, you think about learning grammar and concepts that you

need to memorize, but I strongly believe that the cultural component needs to come to class in a very significant manner," he said.

"So one of those days I just thought, 'you know what, maybe it'll be a good idea for students to get out-



JUAN CARLOS VAZQUEZ talks to his Spanish 2010 class before the start of a soccer game last Friday. Each year Vazquez hosts a game in which his students play soccer in order to learn the importance of the game in Latin American cultures. Vazquez was born in Mexico City and played college soccer at Weber State University. ADAM NETTINA photo

side and play in the beautiful weather, and to put those things into context."

Vazquez's students couldn't agree more.

"I think it is a fantastic idea because we learn best when we're doing things – especially when we begin to realize that language is so connected to culture," said Amber Bowden, a junior English major. "We need to experience the culture in order to learn the language

better and how it impacts us."

To be fair, there is some work involved. Before taking to the field, Vazquez has his students write an essay about the importance of soccer in Latin American and Spanish culture. Students first research the history of the sport, and then have the option of writing either a page in Spanish or two pages in English about it. The combi-

nation of traditional learning and research, coupled with the active component of playing the game, allows Vazquez's students to reach a more complete understanding of the game that some describe as the 'unofficial religion' of Latin America.

"Especially writing the paper beforehand, it made

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Aggie ropers take the reins during weekend tournament

By STEVE SCHWARTZMAN
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The Utah State rodeo men's team put forth a strong effort for a fifth place finish at the Utah State Fall Stampede in Logan on Friday and Saturday, competing against other teams from the Rocky Mountain Region association.

The Aggies finished with a score of 230, falling to first place Idaho State (1,030), Southern Idaho (800), Weber State (660), and Utah Valley (530) to end their fall season.

"Unfortunately the team this year isn't quite as consistent as it has been in the past," said head coach Jeffery Hall. "We'll have kids who are great one week, and then somehow things fall apart. All in all this weekend I'd say we did average."

The Aggies' best performance came from senior Garrett Thurston, who finished first overall as healer for the team-roping event. Thurston finished the event with a winning time of 18.1 seconds.

Hall said Thurston's performance was impressive. "Garrett has been a competitive roper ever since high school. He ropes a lot, takes extra time to practice and it pays off."

Thurston, a Smithfield native, was roping with a new partner (Cy Eames



UTAH STATE'S men's and women's rodeo teams competed in the Utah State Fall Stampede last weekend, facing off against ropers and riders from schools such as Idaho State and Weber State. The team finished fifth overall. ALLISON OSTLER photo

from Idaho State) because his normal roping partner, Trevor Merrill, could not be present for the event.

"That was [Thurston and Eames'] first time roping together and they did extremely well," Hall said. "Garrett is a real handy roper and can jump in with anyone when it comes to catching a steer."

Freshman Jace Austin also performed well, finishing fifth overall

in the steer wrestling competition in 18.1 seconds. Austin, also an Idaho native, recently returned home from a mission with the Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-day Saints, and jumped on with the team.

The women's team fought hard, finishing fifth overall with a final score of 110.

Senior Michelle Hatch finished second overall in the barrel racing competition, falling less than one second behind winner Samantha Logan of Southern Idaho, with a 35.17 second finish.

Paige Morgan, women's team captain, said she is

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Caught off the field: Summer Tillotson

USU DEFENDER SUMMER TILLOTSON
USU Athletics

By MARK ISRAELSEN
staff writer

The junior defender hails from Sandy, Utah and is a junior majoring in exercise science, pre-physical therapy. Last season, Summer played in all 21 soccer matches for USU, and scored the game-winning goal against Northern Arizona.

Q: What has been your greatest athletic accomplishment at USU?

A: Being the regular season WAC champs my freshman year.

Q: What is the best thing about being a college athlete?

A: Hmmm, that's hard. Just the program in general, the trainers, academic people, coaches, and team.

Q: What is one sport you are absolutely terrible at?

A: Softball, I suck at softball.

Q: What is the best dollar menu fast food item and why?

A: Chicken nuggets from Wendy's. They are so good, and I don't eat fast food much, but when I do I always get those.

Q: What is your favorite class at USU and why?

A: Medical anatomy. I'm an exercise science, pre-physical therapy major and I think it is really interesting and it applies to athletics.

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Adam's WAC football power poll: Week 4

Week four was judgment week for Western Athletic Conference (WAC) teams facing a slate of challenging non-conference games. Coming out of Friday and Saturday's action, we're starting to get a picture of which teams are going to be contenders in conference play, and which teams are pretenders. Everyone knows Boise State is the odds-on favorite to win the conference – and rightly so – but watch out for Nevada, which entered the AP Top 25 for the first time since 1948 after defeating BYU 27-13. Pretenders? Fresno State and Idaho both had disappointing weekends, with the Vandals losing an inexplicable game to a previously winless Colorado State team, while Fresno State fell to a ho-hum Mississippi club. And don't forget about the usual bottom feeders: The "state's" continue to struggle, with Utah State, San Jose State and New Mexico State combining for just two wins (and none against Football Bowl Subdivision opponents) through the first four weeks of the year. Here's where I see WAC teams stacking up against each other after four weeks, plus my choice for the week five "Game of the Week."



Boise State: It's virtually impossible not to go with the No. 3 ranked Broncos as the WAC's top team, especially after Saturday's 37-24 win over Oregon State. Sure, the win wasn't as impressive as some skeptics would have liked, and yes, Boise State's special teams mistakes showed that the Broncos are a team with at least a few mere mortals, but a win is still a win. The Broncos improved to an amazing 64-2 at home since 2000 with the win, while also improving their record against BCS-conference teams to 6-1 in the last four seasons. Boise held a decisive advantage in terms of yards for the game, outgaining the 1-2 Beavers by 469-237 margin. The Bronco defense looked impressive, holding Oregon State to only three first downs on 13 attempts, and keeping Oregon State's rushing game to under 80 yards on the evening. But Boise's defense got complacent in the second half, and allowed the Beavers to chip away at a 24-10 halftime lead. There's a layup this weekend against winless New Mexico State, but the Broncos could be challenged by Toledo in week six. Don't laugh – the Rockets have won three straight, including a 31-20 victory over Purdue.



Nevada: The last time Nevada was ranked in the AP Top 25, the Cold War was just beginning. Yet by beating BYU on Saturday, the undefeated Wolf Pack proved that they deserve their accolades. Despite two turnovers, Colin Kaepernick continues to lead an offense which is virtually unstoppable, and added to his dark-horse Heisman trophy campaign by throwing for 196 yards and a score against the Cougars. While Nevada has yet to

beat an FBS team with a record over the .500 mark, it is looking increasingly likely that the Nov. 26 game with Boise State won't only determine the winner of the WAC, but could determine which team goes undefeated.



Fresno State: Coach Pat Hill's team looked poised to ascend into the top 25 after starting the season 3-0, but the Bulldogs may not be the team we all thought they were. The Bulldog defense yielded 55 points to Mississippi during Saturday's loss, and while the defeat comes at the hands of an SEC opponent, it also came at the hands of, arguably, the SEC's worst team. Fresno State's defense – so stout against USU two weeks ago – gave up 578 yards to the Rebels, including an almost unheard of 425 yards rushing on nine yards per carry. The good news is that the team continues to fire on all cylinders, with quarterback Ryan Colburn throwing for 390 yards and four scores in the loss. Yet injuries are mounting for the Bulldogs, who might be a candidate for an upset this week when Cal Poly comes to town.



Hawaii: Big whoop. So Hawaii won their last game 66-7, but it came against Charleston Southern. Still, let's not forget that the Warriors beat Army in week two (Army is now 3-1) and have played Southern Cal and Colorado close this season. The team is currently ranked first in the country in passing yards per game, with Bryant Moniz throwing for six touchdowns in the team's most recent win. Nevertheless, the Warriors have been known to waver once they're in conference play, and will be tested by a good Louisiana Tech defense this Saturday.



Idaho: The Vandals are still something of a mystery after four weeks, and their season outlook hasn't gotten any clearer after the team dropped a 36-34 game to a previously winless Colorado State team. The Vandals do get some reprieve in the rankings, given that the Rams won the game on a last-second field goal, but the 386 yards passing that the Vandals gave up will not bode well for the team's success in conference play. Quarterback Nathan Enderle was stellar (25-30, 347 yards and 3 TDs), but the defense will have to show up this week against Western Michigan if Idaho is to have a shot at a bowl this season.



Louisiana Tech: While the Bulldogs have yet to win a game against an FBS conference team, you can't say it hasn't been close. A week after playing Navy tough, coach Sonny Dykes' crew couldn't quite get the job done against a good Southern Miss team, as the offense stalled late in fourth quarter when a potential game-winning drive ended in an interception.

The team gets credit for battling back from a 10-point deficit, but offensively the Bulldogs just can't seem to get anything going, and remain plagued by turnovers. An interesting matchup with Hawaii awaits this week – one which should give us an understanding as to where the team stands.



Utah State: Even in losing, the Aggies have usually managed to keep games competitive, but last Saturday's 41-7 loss to San Diego State was just plain ugly. True, San Diego State is likely a bowl-bound team this year, but there comes a time when you wonder if the offseason optimism has all but faded in Logan. Injuries continue to haunt USU, while linebacker Bobby Wagner questioned the team's focus after this performance. A win over BYU this Friday could be the spark the team needs to get its season on track.



San Jose State: Just when it looked like the Spartans might be making progress, the team was blown out by Utah in week four, falling 56-3. San Jose State's offense was held to just 172 yards in the game, while the team managed just one first down. The good news for the Spartans is that September – and its brutal schedule – ended last week, but the bad news is the team's prospects for conference play aren't so hot considering the scare Southern Utah gave San Jose State two weeks ago.



New Mexico State: Three straight losses, all by 20 points or more. Not the way you want to kick off the first month of the season, but it's exactly how the year has started for the Aggies. Losing to a hit-or-miss Kansas team was expected, but getting blown out by the Jayhawks could have been avoided. With Boise State on the slate this week, things are going to get a lot worse for southern Aggie fans before they get better. As always, the only thing this program can take solace in right now is the fact that it is not the University of New Mexico.

Game of the Week: BYU at Utah State

We'll be hearing plenty about this game over the next three days, but the long anticipated rivalry matchup gets an added dimension of intrigue considering that both teams have begun the season on down notes. BYU has played well against its competition in the first half, but the Aggies have shown fight in their losses too. If either team wants to entertain notions of a mid-year turnaround, this is the game to start it.

Got beef with my picks? Think I missed the mark? We want to hear from you. Drop me a line at adam.nettina@aggiemail.usu.edu.

Highlights, lowlights from week three in the NFL

By JAKE IPSOM
staff writer

The NFL season is now underway, and after three weeks of action, some teams are beginning to worry. There were three teams that already hit the panic button and changed their starting quarterback, including the Carolina Panthers, who began the Jimmy Clausen era in last weekend. Here are some of the main stories from last week's action, plus what to keep an eye out for this week.

Winless no more:

Aside from the quarterback carousel, week three was an exciting week in the NFL. The most pass-happy team in the league, the Dallas Cowboys, remembered how to run the ball again and then ran it right over the Houston Texans. The Cowboys passed the ball 70 percent of the time before week three. Against the Texans, the Cowboys ran the ball 27 times, led by Marion Barber with 55 yards. More importantly, they got their first win, beating the Texans 27-13.

Another team with high expectations coming into the

season, but still looking for their first win, was the Minnesota Viking. The Vikings got that win running behind Adrian Peterson, who had 160 yards and two touchdowns in the victory over the Detroit Lions.

Steelers, Bears roll to 3-0:

There were two games pitting undefeated teams against each other this past week, starting with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers hosting the Pittsburgh Steelers. The Steelers ran away with the game behind their stellar defense, 38-13. Pittsburgh is another surprise team this year given that they are undefeated even without their starting quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, who is still serving a suspension for conduct detrimental to the league. The other game featuring unbeaten teams came Monday night in a great NFC North face-off. The Green Bay Packers killed themselves by tying a team record of 17 penalties in the game. In the end, the Bears outlasted the Packers 20-17.

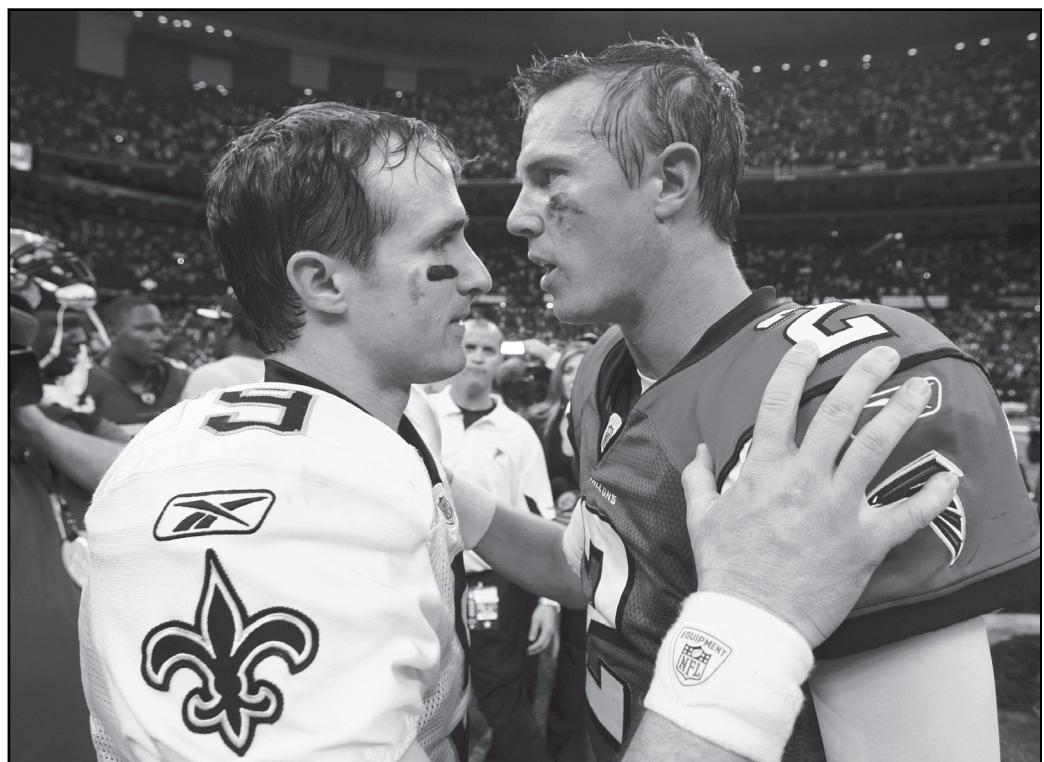
A finish to remember:

The game to watch was the

Atlanta Falcons against the New Orleans Saints. The game went into overtime and the Saints had a chance to win it with a 29-yard, chip-shot field goal from Garrett Hartley. Hartley hooked it left, giving the Falcons another chance. The Falcons marched down the field and set up a game-winning Matt Bryant field goal, only to have the kick blocked. But in trying to ice the kicker, Saints coach Sean Payton called a last-second time out, giving Atlanta another try. Bryant took advantage of the second chance by hitting a 46-yard field goal, leading the Atlanta Falcons past the defending champion Saints.

On tap for week four:

The one must-watch in week four has to be the Washington Redskins against the Philadelphia Eagles, as Donovan McNabb leads his new team into his old stomping grounds. This will be McNabb's first game against Philadelphia since changing teams. Things haven't gone as planned for the Eagles since trading away McNabb. The heir-apparent to McNabb was supposed to be Kevin Kolb, but the Eagles offense stumbled out



New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees left, speaks with Atlanta Falcons quarterback **Matt Ryan** after their NFL football game at the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans, La., Sunday, Sept. 26. Atlanta defeated New Orleans 27-24. AP photo

of the gate, and Kolb suffered a concussion in week one. The reins of the offense were given to Michael Vick and he hasn't looked back. Vick played so well in week two that he forced head coach Andy Reid to flip-

flop on his decision, who stated originally that Kolb was be the starter in week three only to later announce that Vick was starting. The Eagles will want to prove they were right in trading McNabb away, and McNabb will

want to prove that he has some gas left in the tank. It should be a good game on the field with intriguing storylines off the field. Tensions will be high.


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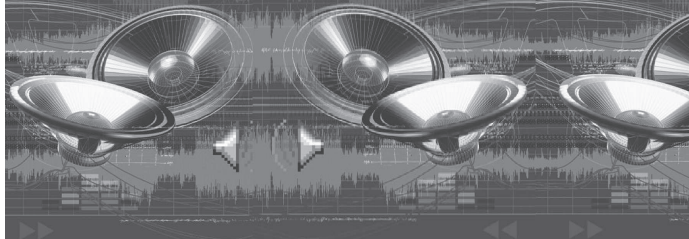
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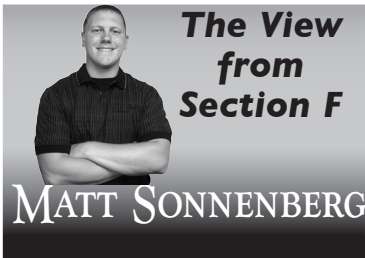
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Rivalries in college sports are about so much more than just wins and losses once you look just below the surface of the games themselves. College rivalries dive into a deeper realm where students and fans of different universities seem to develop a collective attitude, personality or mindset about who they are and what they stand for.

The games themselves add plenty of fire to college rivalries, but it's those personal differences that inject the true passion into it all. That passion is what makes every die-hard fan hang on the edge of their seat on every play of a rivalry game, because the idea of losing a game at the hand of a team you hate, and having to deal with fans of that institution, is essentially unbearable.

Of course the team and school inspiring all of this is none-other than Brigham Young University. The school where every student stands on a pedestal in which nobody has placed them because they have this idea that their academic prowess is second-to-none. Little do they know that nobody in the real world is the slightest bit envious of them. The high-and-mighty persona carried by everybody and everything associated with BYU is what makes them unbearable, and it is what makes it so illogical for anybody at Utah State to support such a program.

At Utah State, we know we're the perennial underdogs over most of the landscape of college athletics. It's a role we all seem to know, understand and embrace. We don't act like we're entitled to any kind of undue accolades or national respect. We just shut up and earn it, and if we come up short on earning anything, we just shut up.

BYU on the other hand, sticks to their high-and-mighty persona with relentless persistence, so much so that when other

non-BCS programs such as Boise State, TCU and their hated rival Utah have all made a BCS run or two in the past six years, BYU decided that they were the ones who would be above the level of conference affiliation and seek independence.

Sure, their program has had a little success, but not nearly as much as you'd think from talking to their fans. All the while, at Utah State, there has been a recent surge in the effort to resurrect the football program from school administrators, coaches and fans alike. Nobody is demanding anything we don't deserve. All we've done is put our trust in head coach Gary Andersen and shown up in large numbers to try and bring some of that Spectrum mojo to Romney Stadium.

Not to mention there's always a certain charm to being the underdog like Utah State has been for as long as we've all been around. How many times have you seen a movie about a team who was ranked No. 1 in the preseason overcoming all sorts of adversity to reach, or stay on the top?

When the odds-on favorite pulls off a big win, it's just what everybody expects. When the underdog pulls off a shocker of epic magnitude, that's what turns the heads of the college sports world, and that is an opportunity and position that Utah State has, and it's a spot that has a constant thrill to it.

If you are still not convinced that the grass is greener here in Logan, then take a visit to BYU's campus. Maybe even soak in a game down there and just take a look around. It's like a massive gathering of all the annoying kids who made everybody around them dislike them while growing up, but have banded together at the same university to develop an over-estimated sense of power and entitlement due simply to their strength in numbers. Sure, they've won a few more football games in the past than USU, but that's where the rivalries run deeper than just the records of the teams.

Would you really want to associate yourself with them, especially since their record is also only 1-3, even though their team has been relatively healthy all year? BYU may win some football games, but Aggie fans will forever be crushing Cougar fans in the game of life.

Come Friday night, the Aggies just might be crushing the Cougars on the field as well.

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Southern watch: checking in on Utah's other college sports teams

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Utah

Football

It was all Utes on Saturday as the No. 13 team destroyed San Jose State in Salt Lake City, 56-3.

Quarterback Jordan Wynn, who was out for the past two weeks with an injured thumb, returned triumphantly to his starting position under center. Wynn was never sacked and went 14-for-18 and 124 yards before being sent back to the bench in the third quarter to avoid further injury.

"The offensive line did a great job. I didn't get touched the whole night. No one even came close to me," Wynn said. "We're right where we need to be. We can get better but tonight we played a pretty complete game."

Utah scored eight different touchdowns in the rout, each put on the board by a different player. The offense scored on every drive except three, in which they were forced to punt.

Spartan quarterback Jordan La Secla was sacked three times as his team managed to gain just 172 total yards. The lone score for the

visitors was a 20-yard field goal by Harrison Waid in the first quarter.

Led by senior defensive end Christian Cox, the Ute defense played extremely well, allowing San Jose State to convert on just one of 12 third-downs.

"I think we're in a terrific spot," Cox said. "We all have something to prove and we are playing for each other."

Utah is now ranked No.12 in the USA Today poll and No. 13 in the AP Poll.

Volleyball

Four different Ute players recorded ten kills in the team's 3-1 home victory over Wyoming on Sept. 23. Morgan Odale, Erin Redd, Karolina Bartkowiak and Sarah Collette combined for a total of 50 kills to help Utah (6-7) win the conference opener.

Ute head coach Beth Launiere said she was pleased with the way that her team was able to bounce back for the victory after losing the first set.

"In every set, we played better defense and that was the key," Launiere said. "Our serves were very tough and that was very important, too."

BYU

Football

Now led solely by Jake Heaps at quarterback, BYU was handed its third-straight loss of the season at the hands of Nevada, 27-13. It's the first time BYU has lost three straight over the last five years.

With the quarterback situation finally under wraps, the Cougars showed real improvement. Although Heaps went just 24-for-45 for 229 yards passing, BYU head coach Bronco Mendenhall said he was pleased with the way that the true freshman played.

"The decision making, it's not nearly as sporadic as getting half the reps," Mendenhall said. "(Jake Heaps') performance was a bright spot and a work in progress. ... He did a nice job."

For the Wolf Pack, the victory earned a spot in the AP Poll at No. 25. It is the first time Nevada has been ranked in the AP Top 25 since 1948. Running back Vai Tava rushed for 133 yards and a touchdown, while quarterback Collin Kaepernick threw to nine different receivers for 196 yards and one touchdown, rushing in for another score.

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Soccer: teacher takes new approach

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me realize why they like the sport so much," said junior history major Marlee Portar. "It was fun to go play it and realize just how fun it is."

Porter, who described her on-field performance during last Friday's 5-5 game as "very poor," said playing the match had other benefits aside from gaining a cultural appreciation for the sport, such as bringing the students closer together.

"I thought it was fun to do that instead of class," she said. "It was a nice change. I thought it was fun to get to know people more in the class and let the class open up to each other and have fun with each other."

Vazquez said the ease and comfort students feel playing the game is no accident. In the few years he has been taking his classes outside to play, he has noticed a difference in the classroom environment following the match. Knowing that many of his students come into the class with different major fields and various backgrounds, he said that the relaxed atmosphere of the game helps his students

feel more comfortable with each other back inside the classroom.

"The rest of the semester, students know each other in a different environment. That creates a more conducive environment in the classroom," he said.

While his main goal is to convey the importance of soccer in Latin America to his students, Vazquez said that the communication skills required in playing the game also reinforce vocabulary and grammar lessons. This approach to learning words and phrases is particularly effective, he said, because it occurs outside the context of the classroom.

"It's in a completely non-threatening situation," Vazquez said. "It's not a test and it's not a quiz. Just trying to realize, 'how do I say this?' Like in the match, when the ball went out of bounds; ok well this is how you say 'out of bounds.' Corner kick? This is how you say, 'corner kick'. So there was a teaching moment there."

It was teaching moments like Friday which Vazquez's

students say set the professor's class apart from any other language class they've ever taken.

"It's something I haven't done for a class, and it was fun to do something new," said junior Hadley Harris, a public relations major. "I'm so used to slideshows and notes and powerpoints, so this was really fun for a change."

Harris described Vazquez's teaching style as "definitely effective," and said she has already gained a new appreciation for the language and Latino culture based on Friday's game. It's a sentiment felt by many in the professor's class, including Porter, who said she is looking forward to a semester filled with interactive activities to help break the monotony of flash cards and word tables.

"This class has been fun the whole time just because of the teacher and the students in the class," she said. "He's a really good teacher who likes hands-on experience and makes the class that much more fun."

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Rodeo: Logan hosts tournament

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impressed with the girl wranglers on the team and has big hopes.

"We have a lot of really good girls and we all get along really well. Some of our girls are getting a little tough luck, but we'll be getting it together for spring," she said.

Morgan, a junior, said one of the biggest strengths for the women's team is their

chemistry.

"We have a lot more girls than in the past, so it's shocking we get along so well. Everyone is willing to share and there is no bad mouthing. We all really want to see each other do well."

The Aggies will start practicing for spring season in March. Hall said he expects continued growth and

improvement.

"We have a lot of potential and should pick things up come spring. It should be fun to watch."

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MARIA CASTRO, JEAN GUZMAN AND LOURDES TAVERAS play a game of racquetball in the HPER building. Racquetball and handball clubs are offered to students this year. **CARL R. WILSON** photo

Off the wall

Racquetball and handball clubs light up the courts at USU

By **GENEVIEVE DRAPER**
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Though not well known, both racquetball and handball clubs exist at Utah State University, offering students, experienced or not, to come and join in the sports.

Currently, both clubs are headed by students who are eager to promote the sports throughout the university. The presidents of both clubs said they were introduced to the sport as freshman and have developed an increased love for them over the years.

Becky Drebin, USU senior and president of the handball club, said classes are offered for both sports, and prior experience is not necessary.

“A lot of people come, they start playing, and they love it,” Drebin said.

The racquetball team this year consists of 18 individuals, both male and female. They practice Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. Though there are not official coaches, master’s student Doug Holt and institute teacher Curtis Jacobs assist with the racquetball club.

The handball club is new this year, and had sign-ups at Day on the Quad. Around 35 people expressed interest in playing the sport, though the official dates for the practices are still to be decided. Right now the club is focusing on fundraising to help pay for tournaments and nationals.

Herm Olsen, who teaches handball on campus, and Ron Bachman, who helps with the classes, work with the handball team. Also helpful in the success of the club are the “old guys,” who Drebin said have played handball for years and are often seen on court at the HPER.

Obvious as it may sound, the main difference between

handball and racquetball is that one uses a racket and one uses only the hands. A smaller, harder ball is used in handball, and is generally played to 21 points, while racquetball goes to 15. They are played on the same court and have very similar rules.

The ball can be played off of the walls and ceilings in both sports. The ball has to hit the front wall first for a serve to be valid. However, Drebin said the difference of hand versus racket does actually make a significant difference in how the sports are played.

“(With handball) you have to be faster, have to have more accuracy ... Rather than a big old racket you have only your hand and you have to use your less dominant hand,” Drebin, who plays both sports said. Drebin now has increased skill with her left hand just from playing.

There are national tournaments for both of these sports. Last February, seven USU students competed in the national handball tournament, placing second overall in division two. For racquetball nationals, the team went to Springfield, Mo., last April 7-10 and took 12 students. Both clubs plan on attending this year as well.

Scott Warner, junior in physical therapy, has been on the racquetball team for two years, and is serving as president of the club this year. He said he has enjoyed his experience with the racquetball team.

Warner said the camaraderie and friendships make the team worth the time it takes.

“(It’s about) not playing to be perfect, but playing to be part of a team,” he said.

Warner said injury does occur in both sports, particularly

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Class teaches ethics from across the globe

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Who knew bananas could create an ethical dilemma? A group of students at Utah State has discovered that Chiquita Brands International Inc. has created quite a stir, especially in the South American nation of Colombia.

In business strategy (BUS 4880), a class in the Huntsman School of Business, USU students are assigned to work with students at Universidad EAFIT in Antioquia, Colombia to analyze ethical issues involving Chiquita Bananas.

Assistant business professor Chad Albrecht said in 1997, Chiquita made an agreement with Autodefensas Unidas de Colombia (AUC), by which Chiquita would pay AUC a penny for every dollar’s worth of bananas exported, in exchange for security and protection of Chiquita workers and shipments. This was not the first time that Chiquita involvement in such deals has been alleged. Albrecht said reports circulated in the 1980s and 1990s that Chiquita made similar agreements with other groups in Colombia.

Chiquita operates in arguably the most dangerous region of the world. According to Jenny Mead and Andrew C. Wicks from the University of Virginia, in 1996, there were 69.4 murders per 100,000 Colombians. In that same year, the United States had 7.7 murders in 100,000 Americans.

According to mundoandino.com, an event known as the “Banana Massacre” occurred in 1928, when several of Chiquita’s workers began a strike for better pay and working conditions. The month-long strike ended when the Colombian army killed many of UFC’s employees.

Albrecht said what is ethical in Colombia isn’t necessarily ethical here. This is a prime example of the kinds of ideas and discussions the Huntsman School is hoping to foster with the new course. In the class, students answer questions like, “From the Chiquita executive’s perspective, what are some of the positive and negative consequences of paying the AUC one percent of all exports?”, “Is it ever appropriate for paramilitary groups to form inside a country?”, “Do we have the right to go into a country to overthrow the government?” and “Why did these groups form inside of Colombia?”

Kameron Kasparian, senior in finance and a student in the class, said many Colombians believe they have to pay paramilitary groups to keep them safe. He says it’s just something they have to do. It’s not a choice, it’s about survival and maintaining a profitable business. Kasparian said Colombian businesses face challenges of basic security that American companies don’t encounter.

The students from Utah State and Universidad EAFIT work together to learn about the Chiquita case, conversing frequently via Skype or Facebook about their findings.

Casey Humpherys, a student in the class, said, “Thanks to the high-tech world that we live in, it has been just as easy to work on this group project with the Colombian students as it would be to complete it with fellow students in the class.”

Kasparian said it is interesting to see the Colombian students’ perspectives on the issue, because it is drastically different than the American perspective.

Albrecht said the class has been beneficial to the students, because they are learning about other cultures. He says the idea for the class came from the four main pillars of the Huntsman School of Business, which are: Ethical Leadership, Global Vision, Entrepreneurship and Analytical Rigor.

“This class is required to graduate. It encompasses business

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Professor brings blasts from the past

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David Rich Lewis, history professor, is a man of mystery. In front of a classroom of 250 undergraduate students he puts on a rambunctiously educational show; in personal conversation he is reserved and genuine. He said he enjoys studying the minute details of human nature and culture, yet thoroughly rejoices in his own privacy, making him a bit of a contradiction.

A child of the late ’60s and ’70s, Lewis said he barely missed the draft. He entered Utah State University as an art major, pursuing photography. It didn’t last. He had a good eye, but not in the way necessary to make it in the artistic world, he said.

Instead, Lewis said his love for current events and his ongoing endeavor to make sense of the post-Vietnam world led him headfirst into the archives of history and political science.

While many are drawn to study history for the romantically pleasant moments and peaceful lulls between wars, Lewis said he found himself utterly engaged in primary research, challenged to step back from any of his preconceptions.

“I was attracted by difficult, uglier moments where we kind of have to look at human nature

and wonder why,” Lewis said. “I was touching stuff that people hundreds of years ago created, reading what they never intended for me to read.”

Lewis graduated from USU with his bachelor’s, earned a master’s degree at the University of Toronto and yet another master’s as well as his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

Lewis returned to USU in 1988 to conduct research and teach courses on American history and American Indians. He is the editor of “The Western Historical Quarterly” and collects and restores fountain pens from the early 20th century.

Lewis has a collection of neckties exclusively for when he teaches USU 1300: U.S. Institutions, a class that is more of a production than a lecture. From Dalmatians and The Beatles to Jerry Garcia and cars with fins, Lewis said he flaunts his neckties as objects of irony. They were collected throughout the 1990s, a period of “tie whimsy,” he said.

“If you’re going to wear a tie, it might as well reflect an outrageous personality,” he said, “even if I don’t have one.” With the ties and other rousing antics, Lewis said he aims to periodically wake students’ brains and cause them to think on their feet.

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HISTORY PROFESSOR David Rich Lewis is the editor of “The Western Historical Quarterly” and collects and restores fountain pens from the early 20th century. *photo courtesy DAVID RICH LEWIS*

An apple a day keeps the doctor away

Right after watermelon season, when it's still too early for pumpkin pie, there is this little window of time I like to think of as the apple days. Apples are in season and it's perfect timing. The days are still warm enough to appreciate their crisp, juicy freshness and the nights are cool enough to enjoy things like hot apple cider and apple pie.

When it started feeling like the apple days were here this year, I got the idea to make an apple pie from scratch. I went to the store to buy apples for it (which I thought would have been the easiest part) and found that there were at least ten different kinds to choose from. I decided to ditch my apple pie idea and instead buy one of every single kind of apple I could find, try them all and then compare them. Here is what I came up with:

Golden Delicious: these yellow green apples are slightly tangy, which makes them a popular choice for caramel apples because they give a good contrast to the super sweetness of the caramel.

Fuji: these apples are simple and mildly sweet. They are crisp and juicy.

Gala: the size and sweetness of these make them great for packing in lunches and just eating on the go. They are also the most common apples used for making cider because they are so juicy.

Pink Lady: like the name suggests, these apples have a pinkish hue to them. They are crisp and sweet and go nicely in salads.

McIntosh: because these are one of the softer types of apples, they make the best applesauce, but they are not as popular for just eating raw because they can be a little mushy.

Granny Smith: these are the tartest of all the apples I tried. They are also the most commonly used in apple pie because they maintain their crispness when they are cooked and their tart taste balances the sugar in the pie.

Red Delicious: probably the most famous apple, and definitely the classic dark red color. These apples are mild but their peel is slightly bitter and they are drier than any of the others I tried.

Honeycrisp: I had never heard of these before I did this experiment. They are beautiful, big and red and are somehow both tart and sweet at the same time. These were my favorite out of all of the varieties.

With all these apples lying around I decided it'd be a good time to make caramel. This recipe was easy and turned out really delicious:

Caramel Sauce

1 cup sugar

1 tablespoon corn syrup



APPLES ARE IN SEASON and there is a vast selection of apples to choose from such as Golden Delicious, Fuji, Gala, Pink Lady and several others. *JENNELLE CLARK photo*

1/4 cup water

1/2 cup whipping cream

2 tablespoons butter

1 teaspoon vanilla

– Combine the sugar, corn syrup and water in a medium saucepan and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until it comes to a boil.

– Stop stirring and allow the mixture to boil until it becomes a medium amber color.

– Remove the pan from the heat and slowly add the cream. Stir until smooth.

– Add the butter and stir until it is melted and completely incorporated.

– Allow the sauce to cool for at least 10 minutes before adding the vanilla.

– The caramel will continue to thicken and set up as it cools.

– Serve with sliced apples* and chopped peanuts.

(*Note: you can add a couple drops of lemon juice to a tablespoon or two of water and sprinkle it over the apple slices to keep them from going brown when serving or storing them).

The pumpkin pie days are almost here, but before they come I am hoping to get in a few more apple days. Here are some ideas for using apples in everyday cooking and eating:

– Add bite size apple chunks and a couple dashes of cinnamon to your pancake or waffle batter.

– Add diced apples to your favorite salad. It goes well in most spinach salads and especially with sweet dressings such as raspberry vinaigrette or poppyseed.

– Dip apples slices in peanut butter or sprinkle them with cinnamon and sugar for a healthy after-class snack.

– Stir some chopped apples and cinnamon into your oatmeal.

And remember ... an apple a day keeps the doctor away.

How are you going to celebrate your apple days? Jennelle wants to hear about your apple recipes and ideas. Email her at jenn.nelle@gmail.com.

Clubs: Difference between games

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to the ankles, knees, shoulders and elbows. He said he prefers singles over doubles because in doubles there is more chance for injury. Drebin said she broke blood vessels in the back of her leg, leaving two welts.

Drebin said last year she hurt her right elbow from racquetball, which forced her to use her left hand for a few weeks. She said she noticed significant improvement in her skill in her less dominant hand.

Warner is very optimistic about the season, with six returning team members, and two new players that collectively have 30 years of experience.

"It should be a good year, we have a lot of talent," he said.

Both clubs are offering opportunities for students not currently involved to come and experience the sport. The racquetball team plans to hold regular tournaments this year that are open to all students on campus. Notices will be posted in the HPER and the Fieldhouse. And for those who haven't yet experienced handball, students can stop by the courts Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays around 4 p.m.

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Ethics: Class reaches to Columbia

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strategy and global business strategy. It's been great being able to interact with people from Colombia. It makes me want to visit there to see their point of view," said Kassie Fisher, senior in business.

Albrecht said even though the class focuses on problems with bananas, there are plenty of lessons to be learned about ethics, problems

solving, global culture and strategy.

"The students are learning to work hands-on with sensitive issues with someone from a different culture," Albrecht said. "Helping with ethical issues in Colombia is a great opportunity for the students and me."

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History: Displaying inner hippie

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Lewis' courses on the history of Utah and Native American ethno-history are similar to conversations that span a semester, and he said he is passionate about his research generating knowledge which is then fed directly back into the classroom.

With so much of his time cooped up in stuffy buildings conducting research and attending endless meetings and teaching, Lewis said his favorite recreational activities take place out of doors. In the past he enjoyed hiking, backpacking, skiing and ice-skating. More recently he has established footholds in bicycling, golf and gardening. His front yard is his canvas, rather than a lawn to be mowed, he said.

"Home is a refuge from history," Lewis said. Home is where his many novels are stashed, though he struggles to pick a favorite. When forced, he eventually selects Wallace Stegner's "Angle of Repose," valuing its mix of history, memory and fiction.

Lewis said home is where he builds a growing collection of art: landscapes, figurative, surreal, and he said he collects whatever cap-

tures him.

"I am floored by the creativity I see in people," he said.

Lewis said he is both charmed and annoyed by the people of Cache Valley, prompting frequent travels through South and Central America, Europe and China. He said he and his wife are enthusiastic about showing their two daughters the world.

The same two daughters fully support their father in all of his outrageous tie, post-hippie glory. So entirely so, that Lewis said they insist he never cut the braided rat-tail that he tucks into the backs of his shirts. While he once took great pride in wearing it publicly, he said it is now a personal reminder of his grad school days, a private conversation with himself.

"Shock value no longer interests me," he said.

Lewis said he may have grown out of his grad-school past, but the inner "wannabe hippie" remains. And he said maybe, if you're lucky, he'll show you his braid.

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Graphic Design Club back in business

By MELODY CAMPBELL
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The Graphic Design Club isn't just a place for artistically inclined people to gather and learn more about their trade – it's also a business.

Sandra Ashby, senior in graphic design, started the club last spring. Ashby, the current president, said the club is more than just something fun to do.

"The club's main goal is to bridge the gap between being a student and entering the marketing field of a graphic designer," she said.

Jeff Olsen, club vice president and senior in graphic design, said this is the best thing for graphic design students to get involved in that correlates with their major.

"There's nothing right now, other than the graphic design club, and the newly formed art guild," he said.

Ashby said the club encourages students to design their own business cards and put together portfolios. People in need of design work then e-mail the club, and project managers make assignments to students. Customers can also choose a particular student if they are looking for a certain style.

"There needs to be some kind of incentive to give students a chance to have a real working environment," Olsen said.

Half of the proceeds from any of the work the club gets would go to the students who designed it, and the other half would be added to club funds.

"My hope is that they'll get so far that they can go to conferences ... or New York or California," said Ashby.

Ashby said those places are larger centers for graphic design. Olsen said they are trying to see if they could receive university credit for a New York trip with their adviser, who already takes a group to Manhattan for a week.

Most of the club's external advertising will be handled by their marketing group, which will find new customers for the club.

"They control the flow of communication with other groups, and bring in more projects," Ashby said.

The club isn't all about working, though, they also have fun activities planned for the upcoming school year. Ashby has planned visits to local businesses like Square One Printing, and they have also invited several guest speakers. Olsen said they have an upcoming game night and a get-together with

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Jeff Olsen,
Graphic Design Club
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Management analyst	678,000	827,000	22%
Accountant, auditor	1.3 million	1.5 million	18%
Elementary school teacher	1.5 million	1.7 million	14%

the bowling club. He said they also would like to meet with the business club, to learn about the more commercial aspects of graphic design.

The club officially started this fall, but its first, unofficial meetings occurred last semester. Ashby said she started by asking associate graphic design professor Alan Hashimoto if there were any clubs like that around.

"He said that they had troubles keeping them going because of how much work they took," she said.

Hashimoto, now the club's adviser, said the first graphic design club that was started 20 years ago had only eight members. Since there is currently a much higher interest level in the club, the members hope it will be more successful.

"The biggest thing," Hashimoto said, "is enthusiasm."

Hashimoto also said the club would help students to be better designers.

"It's not something you can just do as a student. You have to do it all the time."

Hashimoto said the club could extend their business beyond print, and also include web design. He said it would also help students to meet other designers, and form camaraderie that they couldn't with their professors.

The club meets every other Thursday from 7-9 p.m. in FAV 150. There is a \$10 fee for membership, and t-shirts are also sold.

"We're a club for everyone," Ashby said. "We want to unite the university."

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Got late night munchies? Do I have a footlong for you

I've been here before, I'm sure many of you have as well. It's late Friday night, or in this case Tuesday night, and you're hungry. Whether brought on by a long night of studies, cut-throat games of Risk or sheer boredom, we become engulfed in the realm of preliminary starvation, and find ourselves in the late night pickle of all pickles (noting that, had we purchased pickles last week at Wal-Mart, we wouldn't be in the situation).

These moments in each collegiate participant's life are a catalyst for myriad interesting choices, mindsets and experiences. Let me share with you just one of my own.

Dateline – sometime last month, just before two a.m. I sat quietly in my most comfortable state – in a brown armchair wearing my red Snuggie. I was doing my best to stay sane whilst attempting to have the privilege of being number 16 on the waitlist for a class, as my stomach gave a self-assuring growl that seemed to say "if you were asleep like most functioning humans at this hour, this wouldn't be happening, but while you're here you might as well take care of it."

My heart fell grim, as the realization hit me that my choices for such a night were reduced to Rancheritos, Burger King and that package of pork-flavored ramen noodles I had been saving for a special occasion (i.e. "Thursday").

Cue my friend Sara, my late-night eatery adventure comrade. We exchange pleasantries and I explain to her my newly-found predicament. She wasn't shocked of course, as she gave me the news that would alter my being forever.

"Did you know that Subway is now open 24 hours a day?"

I let out a gasp, almost choking on the handful of Fun-Yuns I completely forgot I had purchased that week. I glanced quickly at the clock, which read 1:43 a.m. Normal people would vie to go to bed at this point. I denied those claims, for they were blocked from my brain by the alluring sound of a woman in a dark green polo and black visor saying "would you like it toasted?" With that, I



Just a few laughs

STEVE SCHWARTZMAN

threw on my sweater and we were off.

I'm sure at this point, most readers are confused of my excitement for such an occasion. Simply stated, I am an avid fan of what Taco Bell famed as the "fourthmeal." My love for nighttime nummy-nums seems to control a lot of my life, and the small thought of eating something even remotely close to healthy opened me to a whole new world of possibility that didn't involve french fries or steak-and-potato burritos that throw any digestive system through the ringer. I'll take what I can get.

I walked into an empty store, graced only by a few straw wrappers on the floor, Natalie Imbruglia's "Torn" playing over the PA system and a glum, fatigue-stricken employee behind the counter. I stepped up to the counter with a smile, visions of oven-roasted chicken and yellow peppers dancing in my head. I made my order and Sara, some guy named Brian and I made a beeline for the small table in the corner.

Then, as is the norm in my life, it all went nutty.

We sat and ate, losing ourselves in debating why KitKats are the best candy bar of all time, as I finally noticed the miracle occurring at the front of the store. Brian stood up and walked over to buy a cookie, then returned quickly after to the shock and awe of what he discovered.

As I looked over at his new find, I nearly dropped the second half of my sandwich, black olives and all, swiftly on the floor. Between what must have been about 15 people were lined up broadly from the counter, answering to the same five-dollar footlong call which beckoned to me just minutes earlier. I checked my watch, it was past 2 a.m. at this point, and I was dumbfounded.

Subway had a late-night rush hour. Subway! This was the same eating establishment I went to in high school when the principal gave us 20 extra minutes for lunch because of an assembly, certainly not a place recognized for getting a "quick bite." All my views of memories of this restaurant – the rapidly thinning Jared, "Happy Gilmore" and for some reason a manatee – had changed completely. People wanted not-burgers,

and they wanted them now. It was a gutsy move by Subway, and they had succeeded. Who knew?

Sara, Brian and I left that day at what we felt was the dawning of a revolution, the spawn of the age of midnight footlongs, nocturnal flatbread and provolone cheese only suited for the insomniac. And to our biggest shock, we learned that they would march on strong.

It was a new lesson learned for Steve Schwartzman that day, "If you build it, and it's substantially low on bacon grease, they will come." My proudest "fourthmeal" experience gave me the confidence to

take risks, to enjoy the tender mercies of life, to never order extra vinegar just before bed (welcome stomachache city), and most of all, to never give up on a dream. Standing aside my new-ound, late-night sandwich-loving friends, it was well worth the wait.

And speaking of waiting, I still can't get on this daggum waitlist.

Questions or comments can be sent to Steve at steve.schwartzman@aggiemail.usu.edu.

Street Speak

If you could live in any other country, where would it be?



"Australia. I did a semester abroad there and I loved it. I miss it. Australia is fascinating."

– Cassandra Wesfall, senior, veterinary science

"I would live in Germany because they have cool castles."

– James Calder, sophomore, mechanical engineering



"Sicily, Italy. The Mediterranean Islands are beautiful. I also love the water and swimming."

– Wes Constandes, junior, secondary education



"England. I've never been but always have wanted to go. A friend of mine went and said it was amazing. They have a nice accent."

– Felicia Allen, junior, biology

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Our View

You're an Aggie, now act like one

You go here, you cheer here. There have been numerous sightings of USU students sporting BYU – and other schools' – apparel. To those students who feel this is appropriate behavior, we say, "What the hell is wrong with you?"

Nobody wants to sit next to a zoobie in class and smell that awful stench that permeates from a supporter of a school that does not allow its students to make their own righteous decisions. These students let the school choose how far a member of the opposite sex can walk into their apartment or how little facial hair a male can have on his face. It is even a campus that is covered in grass on which students are not allowed. For these individuals who favor this type of atmosphere – and who should be in a mental ward – you deserve the snide comments you may get in class. In fact, you deserve a lot more than that.

Show some Aggie pride. Be proud to be a student at USU. Go to the games and cheer for the school you pay for your education. There must be some reason you are here at USU. It could be we have a better academic program that you are interested in or you just didn't want to live in "happy valley." Just because your mommy and daddy, or even your second great-uncle twice removed are all BYU alumni, we don't care. Take off that BYU t-shirt and adorn yourself with real clothing – Aggie clothing.

We could come up with an entire list of brutal, horrible things that could theoretically happen to those students who feel the need to betray their school and cheer for BYU. Slushies in the face, toilet swirlies and being hung by your underpants from the flag pole are the elementary school versions of the situations you may find yourself in if you tend to flaunt any BYU pride. Avoid it. Burn that BYU t-shirt. If you don't, then you can't complain about what may or may not happen to you. Utah State athletics are rapidly on the rise, so be a part of the solution, rather than part of the problem.

We understand that you may like or even, unfortunately, support BYU. In fact, you may like BYU enough to have a poster of their cheerleaders hanging above your bed, but show some loyalty to the school you attend. If for no other reason, we at least let you walk on the grass.

Speaking up for the twelve percent

Last week the Logan City Council voted to invite more drug dealers into our city by stomping on our individual freedoms and turning 12 percent of USU students into criminals. I'm referring to the recent banning of Spice in Logan and my complete and utter disdain for how our community has responded has pushed me into writing this article.

All of you sit on your high horse and look down upon those who have recreationally used drugs for no other reason because you are "morally right." I pride myself on being one of those 12 percent who has used Spice within the last year and I can tell you that the stories and examples used by those pushing to criminalize this drug are nothing short of outright lies.

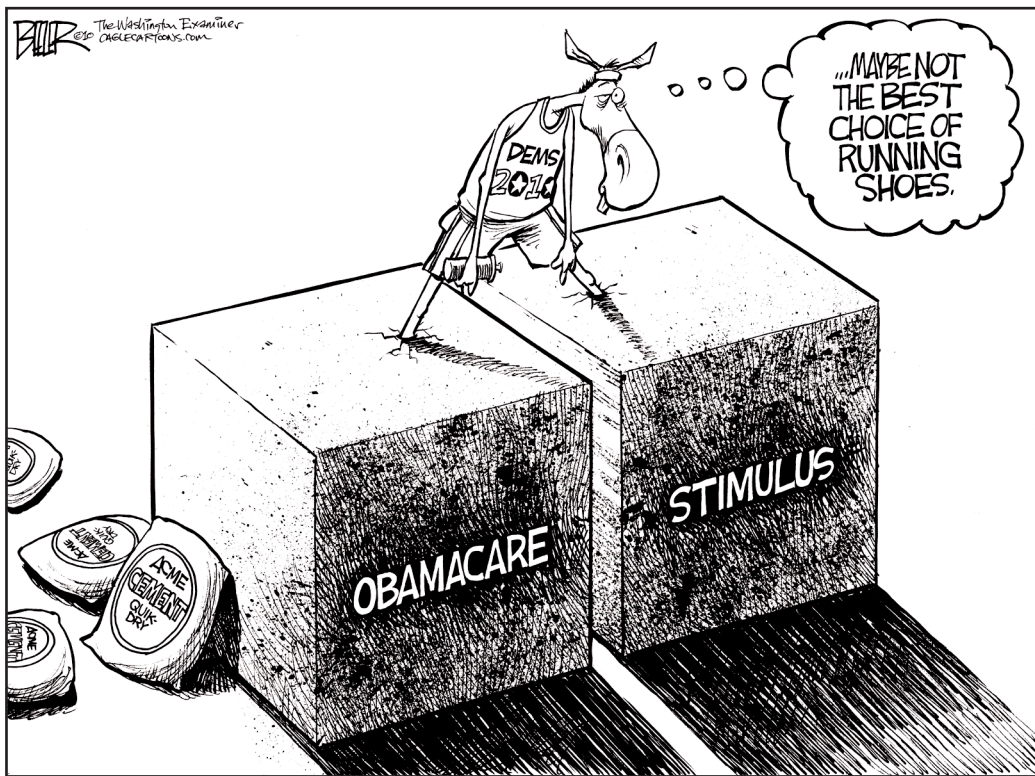
Spice is a substance like that of Marijuana in that a synthetic THC compound is sprayed on a relatively harmless plant. But that's what makes Spice one of the safest drug substitutes out there. It is to the brink of medical impossibility that anyone can overdose from Marijuana and Spice. THC is a completely safe compound. This is why for those trying to quit drugs altogether, Spice is a good stepping stone instead of going straight cold turkey.

Yes, there are cases of people committing stupid acts, but those people are already stupid. Stupid people do stupid things regardless of whether they are high on Spice or not. It's just like the issue with firearms. Guns don't kill people, people kill people. Why then do drugs get treated differently?

A Statesman columnist recently wrote that "If you give an inch, they take a mile. If we allow this sense- and judgment-inhibiting drug to be sold in stores, it is one step closer to legalizing marijuana and even harder drugs likes meth and cocaine..."

Good.

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Forum Letters

Letters to
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Get educated about inversion

To the editor:

On Friday September 24, 2010, the Sigma Chi fraternity held a dance marathon to raise money for cancer research and generously offered a tuition waiver as a prize for competing at a small cost. The Statesman, however, did not deem this event worthy of an article. Instead, the school paper chose to run one out-of-context photo with an inaccurate caption. Sigma Chi had even

asked the newspaper not to run this photo because it was taken at a blatantly inopportune moment. The girl featured in the photo had jumped on a male friend to give him a hug, the two weren't dancing, but the photo was presented without explanation and in a biased manner.

The person who chose to insensitively use this photo had some apparent motivations of making the fraternity's event look bad and even neglected to mention in the caption that the danceathon was, in fact, for charity.

Sorry cancer research is not something you deem

worthy of a serious article or, at the very least, honest and unbiased journalism. The men of Sigma Chi endeavored to do something charitable and generous for the student community and they are being misrepresented and disrespected in return. The organizations on campus shouldn't have to worry about having their charitable efforts conveyed in a negative light by the student newspaper but, unfortunately, they do. Also, in a single caption the Statesman failed to spell words correctly: it's "waiver" not "waver".

Erin Anthony

Finding the life of the mind



When students commence their college education, they often believe that it will change their lives in a practical way. They will study to become engineers, doctors, lawyers, teachers, scientists, entrepreneurs, along with myriad other noble and useful possibilities. But how many also arrive at university in search of the life of the mind? Tom Wolfe's novel "I Am Charlotte Simmons" pursues that very question by asking us to consider what the life of the mind is: is the human mind hardwired so that every aspect of a human life is determined by biology, or do environment and education have an impact? In fact, the novel is something of an experiment in the debate between nurture

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There has been much discussion about the literary merits of "I Am Charlotte Simmons". It won an award for the worst sex scene in literature for the year it came out. Whatever its stylistic merits, the book raises a vital question for college students. It is an age old question: who am I?

Wolfe takes Charlotte Simmons, an academically successful, socially isolated girl from Sparta, a small town in the hills of North Carolina, and gives her a prestigious academic scholarship to the fictional elite campus of Dupont University. Wolfe's objective in the novel is to determine the relative significance of Charlotte's enviable IQ and her environment in forming and influencing her ambitions and her

behavior. Wolfe's literary experiment takes Charlotte from her austere, morally upright family and drops her in the midst of a liberal, elite University campus, in a coed dorm, with a sophisticated roommate, and to make things interesting, he gives Charlotte the desire for social success. Because Wolfe is a fair man, he provides Charlotte with the opportunity for status at Dupont, in both academic and social spheres. Wolfe registers Charlotte for a neu-

rosience class and makes her social life interesting by hooking her up with a handsome but notorious frat boy, as well as a star basketball player.

Charlotte quite literally believes she finds the life of the mind as a star student in Dr.

Starling's Introduction to Neuroscience class. The question the professor asks the class to consider from the start is whether human beings are genetically determined animals with a rational mind; much like a rock with consciousness, which has no ability to change the arc of its flight once thrown, but only the capacity to rationalize the path nature has chosen for it or whether external influences, like good teachers and great books, and the free will to act on what we learn, can really change the trajectory of our lives?

Is Charlotte the same Charlotte Simmons from

beginning to end? Charlotte arrives at Dupont as a brilliant, dedicated student, exhilarated by the prospect of finding the life of the mind and a cohort of like-minded geniuses, of which she had been deprived in Sparta. But Wolfe suggests that Charlotte changes teams as she becomes suffused in the sexually charged culture of Dupont University.

Charlotte sadly suffers a fall from her academic eminence when she is quickly diverted from her quest for knowledge by pedestrian distractions – boys and frat-house parties. Before her academic fall, however, Charlotte inadvertently has a profound influence on one of the star basketball players at Dupont University. Jojo Johanssen has followed the path of other athletes, into dumbed down courses, like "Stocks for Jocks," an economics course created just to get the athletes through their undergraduate education with cooperative teachers. Charlotte, who mistakenly signs up for one of these specially designed courses in French literature for athletes, chastises Jojo for succumbing to peer pressure instead of owning up to his obvious interest in the books. She recommends that Jojo take a course in philosophy if he wants to get a real education at Dupont.

The result for Jojo is something of a conversion, a kind of Platonic turning of the soul towards the desire for knowledge. Even in the face of resistance and mockery from the basketball coach, who takes to calling him Socrates, Jojo dangerously takes up the life of the mind in a course called the "Age of Socrates," in response. Jojo finds he likes philosophy, that Plato and Aristotle speak to him

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Mind: Ask yourself who you are

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about the most important questions a human being can ask: what is the best way of life? What is justice? What is beauty? More than that, Jojo discovers that understanding the ideas of Plato and Aristotle is exhilarating. He begins to refer to his life in terms of his academic turnaround, "Before Socrates and After Socrates, BS and AS." Facing suspension from school for cheating before his scholarly conversion and a slump on the basketball court, Jojo perseveres through the "Age of Socrates" and changes his academic trajectory. A moment of insight into his own soul prompted by

Charlotte's disapproval, a rational decision and an act of will, along with many hours of study, unexpectedly introduce Jojo to the life of the mind at the University. Studying Plato and Aristotle changes Jojo's life. Wolfe's literary experiment with Charlotte and Jojo leads him to conclude that external influences, such as culture and status group concerns, matter a great deal to what human beings do with their genetic coding and natural inclinations. Charlotte cares more about admiration than academic excellence. But Jojo's academic conversion

reveals to him the possibility that he can become a serious student and a thoughtful human being. Through the study of great books, Jojo becomes open to the idea that there is more to life than basketball. Which is it then – biology, society or the human intellect – that makes us who we are? You would be truly pursuing the life of the mind if at some point in your college education you seriously considered this question: who am I?

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Drugs: Illegalizing leads to crime

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All drugs should be legalized, effective immediately, and the Logan City Council decision to force me to accept what they view as "moral" is nothing short of a political power grab at the expense of all of us. If your response is, "but banning Drugs/Spice is great because it's good for society," I want you to slap yourself right now for being the incompetent fool you are.

What the hell does "good for society" mean? Who gets to decide what is or is not "moral"? If I wanted to smoke Spice or do any other drugs for that matter, how in the world am I personally affecting you or your rights? The correct answer is that I'm not, so back off.

Those of you supporting the ban of Spice have only one leg of support to rely on. You demand that we submit to the idea that somehow you hold the moral superiority on this issue and thus your position is correct.

Ladies and gentlemen, we must learn to stand up and call out moral chauvinism when we see it. Each and every one of us has the responsibility to uphold the creed of "live and let live." When we allow people like the Logan City Council to march into our dorms and dictate how we live our lives, we have already lost the battle. We must now reap the consequences.

Let's logically work through this. When Spice was legal you could buy it from smoke shops that certified their brands as safe and uncontaminated. The workers there would

check IDs to make sure that no one under 18 was purchasing Spice. By criminalizing Spice, however, smoke shops will no longer be able to ensure that those under 18 will not have access to this substance.

It's only a matter of time before drug dealers begin moving into Logan to fill the void left by the smoke shops. These dealers will not only supply the demand for Spice, they will also look to expand their operations for harder drugs such as cocaine and meth. Seeing that Logan is a college town, you'll never guess who their target audience is.

You and your "morals" did not prevent an epidemic drug crisis. You created a bigger one instead.

Overturn the ban on Spice and all drugs. Bring back the value of personal responsibility. Let people decide what they will and will not do with their bodies. The govern-

ment has no right to put a gun to my head and tell me I am not being "moral." The very basis of American freedom is freedom from government, and when the Logan City Council decides that we should be treated like children, we must resist. When we become passive, or worse, cheer for freedom-restricting laws, we are nothing short of the incompetent fools the Logan City Council take us all for.

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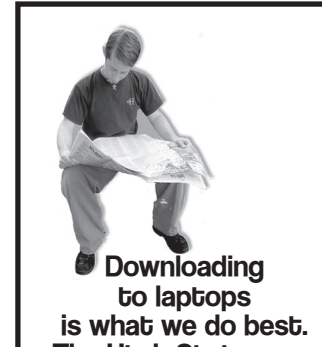
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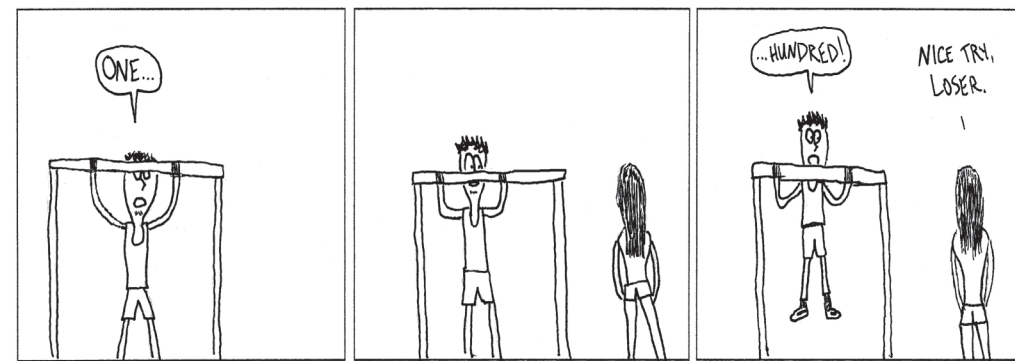
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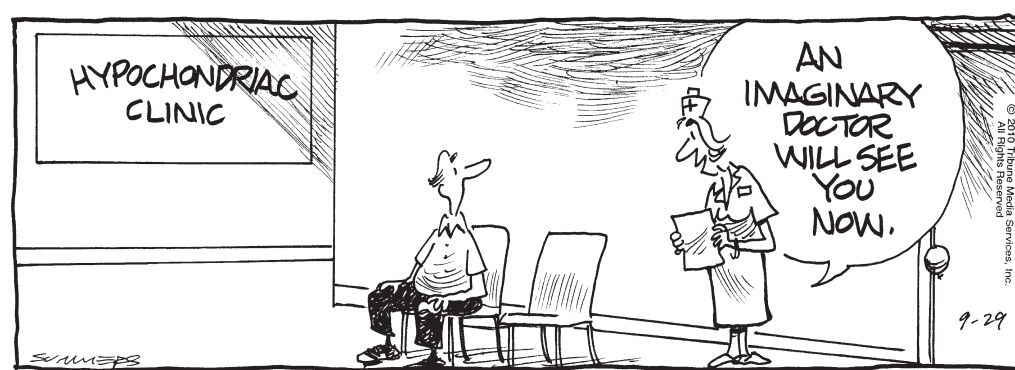
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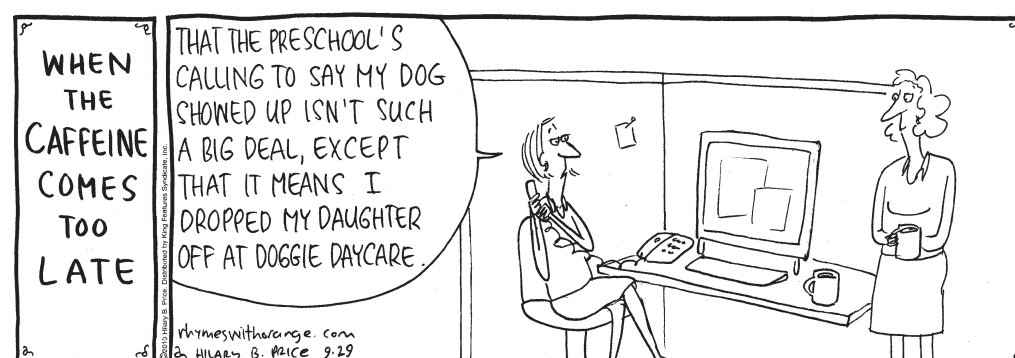
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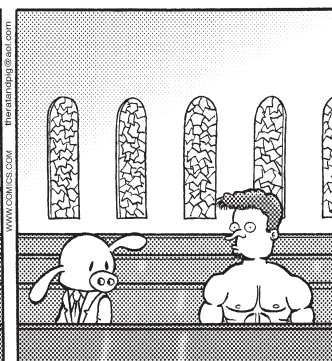
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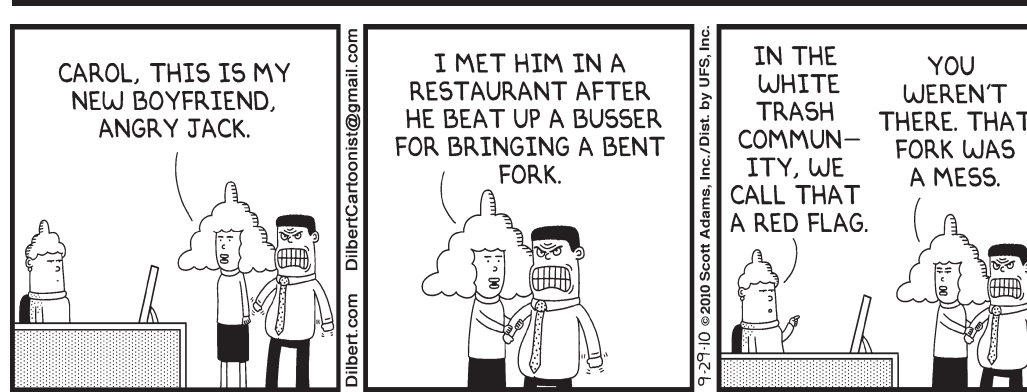
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Wednesday
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- Anxiety Clinic, All Day
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- Meditation Club, 12 p.m.
- Storytellers Opening Social, 7 p.m.

Thursday
Sept. 30

- Golf Tournament, Logan Golf Club, 10 a.m.
- Multicultural Student Group, TSC 315, 12:30 p.m.
- Stephen R. Covey Speech, Performance Hall, 3:30 p.m.
- Cold Stone Make-A-Wish Day, 5-8 p.m.
- Banned Books Opening Week, Library 101, 7 p.m.
- Utah Symphony, Kent Concert Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Friday
Oct. 1

- Major Fair, TSC Lounge, 10 a.m.
- Business Week Tailgate Party, Stadium Parking, 5 p.m.
- Football vs. BYU, 6 p.m.

Major Fair

The Major Fair will be held on Oct. 1 in the TSC International Lounge from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come learn about the variety of majors, minors, and degree programs available at USU. Enter the drawing for great prizes! This event is designated as an Aggie Passport opportunity. More info available in TSC 304.

Workshop series

Upcoming Academic Resource Center Workshop Series every Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. in TSC 335 starting Oct. 6. This ongoing workshop series will address psychological issues that impact academic success. For questions or additional information, please contact 797-1128.

Greg Bell speech

Lt. Gov. Greg Bell will be speaking to students, faculty, and the community on Sept. 30. He will take time answer audience questions.

Free Cold Stone

Nearly 1,300 Cold Stone Creamery locations nationwide will host the Worlds Largest Ice Cream Social to benefit Make-A-Wish Foundation. On Sept. 30 from 5-8 p.m. ice cream lovers will receive a FREE three-ounce serving of Make-A-Wish Kate's wish creation.

Prep courses

LSAT and GRE Prep Course are available! Tuesday's and Thursdays from Sept. 14 to Oct. 21. LSAT is 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. and GRE is 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more info visit conference.usu.edu/lsat or call 797-0423.

Golf tournament

The Huntsman School Golf Tournament at the Logan Golf and Country Club is on Sept. 30 at 10 a.m. This fund raising tournament is open to students, alumni, and friends of USU. More info at huntsman.usu.edu/golf.

You need to know....

You-pick **pumpkin patch day** at the Student Organic Farm! Come and pick a pumpkin and help us raise money for the farm. Located at 800 E. and 1750 N. on Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Prices will vary with size.

FREE Flu shots for USU Benefit-eligible employees on Oct. 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the TSC Ballroom. Pre-register at <http://flushots.usu.edu/>

On Oct. 27 from 6-7 p.m. in room 507 of the University Inn, visiting scholar Dr. Audrey Osler will be giving a presentation on **human rights**. All are welcome.

Don't miss the films you want to see most by registering now to purchase **Festival Passes** and Ticket Packages. Discover priority Passes designed for locals. Registration ends Oct. 13. Visit www.sundance.org/festival/tickets/locals/.

Weight Watchers at Work Program. Sign up for the first class of the 12-week session for \$135. Classes are held every Thursday at 11:45 a.m. in TSC 335. For more info contact shannon.johnson@usu.edu.

The USU Middle Eastern Club is going to have a **discussion panel** on "Islam Basics" on Oct. 5 at University Inn room 507 at 7 p.m. Come, participate and exchange ideas about Middle East, Islam and politics.

On Oct. 21 will be the first of several **free cover concerts** this year from IMC. Just call your songs in by posting on our facebook page by searching for Independent Music Club.

Stokes Nature Center invites adults to **Fall Photography**, led by local photographer Jim Parrish. This two-day course held Oct. 1-2 will include outdoor evening basics followed by a morning shoot. Registration required. Call 755-3239.

HURD Party and Food on the Quad on Sept. 30 at 8 p.m. Game day benefits for those who come. Let the countdown begin.

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